House Resolution No. 4808

Whereas, F. Dianne Taylor, a resident of University City, Missouri, is to be commended for dedicating more than twenty-five years of service to Legal Services of Eastern Missouri, Incorporated; and

Whereas, Dianne Taylor is Executive Director and General Counsel of Legal Services of Eastern Missouri, where she has worked for more than a quarter century on behalf of poor children and families to provide them with equal access to the justice system; and

Whereas, during her impressive tenure as Executive Director and General Counsel, Dianne Taylor has expanded services by initiating a Children's Legal Alliance program that recognizes the legal needs of poor children by utilizing a holistic approach; and

Whereas, Dianne Taylor has also expanded services in Franklin, Warren, and Washington counties by opening an outreach office in Union, and implementing a St. Louis County Family Court Project to provide legal representation to parents in hearings that could end in termination of their parental rights; and

Whereas, the recipient of numerous awards and recognitions, Dianne Taylor is a member of the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Chapter of the American Corporate Counsel Association and the Missouri Bar Board of Governors, a former member of the Board of Trustees of the American Civil Liberties Union of Eastern Missouri, and past Secretary of the St. Louis Chapter of the Missouri Association for Social Welfare; and

Whereas, Dianne Taylor has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include one sister, Susan Taylor-Schran of Fredericksburg, Virginia; and two brothers, Charles Taylor and Tommy Taylor of Virginia:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Dianne Taylor at this time of well-deserved recognition and in wishing her continued success as she looks ahead to the challenges of tomorrow; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for F. Dianne Taylor, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by
Representative Barbara Wall Fraser
District No. 83
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of
Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First
Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and
correct copy of House Resolution No. 4808, adopted
December 10, 2003.
Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker